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Subject: RE: Re: Lard Oil Company; Public Health Discussion with LDHH on Oil Impacted Homes
Date: Tuesday, August 30, 2016 2:15:00 PM

Kathleen, Thank you and Dr. Ratard for agreeing to come out and visit the site. We are working very diligently to assure the homeowners that they will not be left with lingering health risk from this spill. The Department of Health plays a very important role in this assurance. I was hopeful and had indicated to several of the residents, that representatives of your office would be out this week. Is there any way Dr. Ratard could make it out this week?

Respectfully,
Bryant Smalley
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From: Kathleen Aubin [mailto:Kathleen.Aubin@LA.GOV]

Sent: Tuesday, August 30, 2016 1:29 PM

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Cc: Young, Patrick ; Martin, John ; Raoult Ratard ; Dianne Dugas ; Shannon Soileau ; Luann E White

Subject: RE: Re: Lard Oil Company; Public Health Discussion with LDHH on Oil Impacted Homes

Good Afternoon,

Dr. Ratard is available to meet for the site visit in Denham Springs on Tuesday, September 6 at 1:30 pm. Please let us know if this date and time are fine with you. If so, please let us know the address of where we will meet.

Thanks,
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Sent: Friday, August 26, 2016 12:04 PM

To: Kathleen Aubin; Ruhl, Christopher

Cc: Young, Patrick; Martin, John; Raoult Ratard; Dianne Dugas; Shannon Soileau; Luann E White

Subject: RE: Re: Lard Oil Company; Public Health Discussion with LDHH on Oil Impacted Homes

Kathleen – Thank ya'll very much for developing the fact sheet so quickly. I was able to review it in detail and would like to see if you would consider a few minor edits. We still have a dynamic situation with information changing, so the volume has been updated and other comments are just to address Site specifics.

Let me know your thoughts.

Respectfully,
Bryant Smalley

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Subject: RE: Re: Lard Oil Company; Public Health Discussion with LDHH on Oil Impacted Homes
Good Morning,

Please see attached FAQ sheet.

Thanks,

Kathleen Aubin

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Subject: FW: Re: Lard Oil Company; Public Health Discussion with LDHH on Oil Impacted Homes
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Subject: FW: Re: Lard Oil Company; Public Health Discussion with LDHH on Oil Impacted Homes
Dr. Ratard,

Thank you and your team's time today. I appreciate your willingness to assist. Below are notes taken for the meeting. Bryant Smalley is our lead for the incident and can be reached at (214) 215-1783.

Chris Ruhl

USEPA R6 Emergency Response Team Leader

Southern Louisiana Flood REOC manager

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August 23, 2016

11:00 A.M.

EPA EOC Conference Room, 8 Floor
1445 Ross Ave, Dallas, TX

Re: Summary of conference call between EPA, ATSDR and the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (LDHH) regarding motor oil from Lard Oil Co. spill during Louisiana flooding event.

At the request of EPA OSC Bryant Smalley, a conference call was facilitated by ATSDR R6 to discuss public health impacts associated with oil contaminating residents and yards in and around the Lard Oil Co. spill. EPA requested LDHH support efforts to address public health concerns raised by the citizens on determination of health risk associated during and after cleanup by the responsible party and any re occupancy impacts.

The following outcomes were derived from the conference call discussion:

1. LDHH agreed to develop a FAQ sheet to address health effects on oil exposures for residence that can be distributed while residents return to homes after flood waters recede. Time frame to create FAQ: end of the week August 26, 2016.
2. EPA requested LDHH to review, comment or provide input into any oil clean up assessment and response plans developed by the RP to ensure that they meet LDHH's needs for a public health review/interpretation for affected properties/residents.
3. EPA offered to reimburse LDHH for any hours or site visits out of the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund (OSLTF).
4. LDHH agreed to visit the homes impacted and speak with citizens on health effects associated with oil exposures and oil contamination.
5. ATSDR R6 will facilitate with CDC and ATSDR Atlanta, GA should the LDHH need or request technical support in the future

Call Participants:

LDHH Participants: Dr. Ratard, State Epidemiologist, Diana Dugas, Kathleen Aubin, Shannon Soileau, Darcie Olexia (SEET), medical fellow.

EPA Participants: Chris Ruhl, John Martin, Madison Baxter

ATSDR Participants: CAPT Patrick Young